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Philadelphia, Pa. 19101-2529

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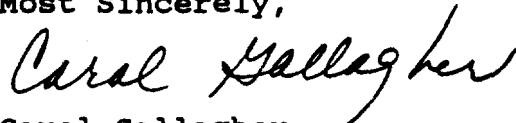
Again the rate payer gets it in the neck. A new 9.1% increase on top of a 10% increase exactly one year ago is totally unacceptable. We will do everything we can to join a mass movement to see that you get legitimate supervision.

We only want no frills Basic Cable. We do not want glossy multicolor promos for Madison Square Garden cable (also subsidized by no less than 36 corporate logos) or the monthly schedule for Pay Per View.

Such costs plus profit should not be passed on to us. **THIS IS NOT GENERAL CUSTOMER INFORMATION.** Your one customer information fact about Sun Spot Interference could have been typed simply and mass duplicated. The rest we don't need or want.

We note the bill says Cablevision of Yorktown, the phone is answered Cablevision of Westchester and the payment goes to yet another Cablevision. Too many corporations??

Most Sincerely,



Carol Gallagher
172 Babbitt Rd.
Bedford Hills, NY 10507

cc: FCC
Cable Branch
1919 M St. NW
Washington, DC 20554

cc: Ralph Nader
Public Citizen
Suite 700
2000 P St. NW
Washington, DC 20036

cc: NYS Cable Commission

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Federal Communications Commission
1919 M. Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554
Attention: Cable Consumer Affairs Division

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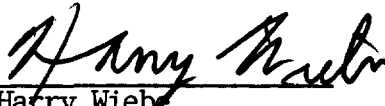
To Whom It May Concern:

The Village of Paulding, Ohio has become aware that the Federal Communications Commission has publicly announced that it is concerned about the rate increases that have been enacted since the passage of the Cable Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992.

Our Village is writing to protest, to the FCC, the rate increase that has become effective with January 1993 bills. The rate increase addresses basic service, expanded basic service and HBO. I am enclosing a copy of the rate increase. For the period prior to the rate increase, the 1992 rates were as follows: \$17.22 basic, \$1.95 extended basic.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (419)-399-2806.

Very truly yours,


Harry Wiebe
Village Administrator

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TCI Cablevision of
Northwestern Ohio

November 17, 1992

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Costanzo, General Manager
TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio
(419) 636-5636

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TCI CABLEVISION OF NORTHWESTERN OHIO ANNOUNCES RATE CHANGE

Bryan, OH, (November 17, 1992) -- TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio, which provides cable television service to Bryan, West Unity, Pulaski, Jefferson Township, Montpelier, Stryker, Archbold, Center Township, Edgerton, Evansport, Paulding, Cecil, Van Wert, Ohio City, Celina, Montezuma, Coldwater, and St. Henry, announced today it will modify monthly cable TV subscription rates effective January 1993 to keep pace with the cost of living index, plus cost increases from program suppliers.

The Basic Service rate adjustment--representing a 3.5% increase to \$17.82-- is consistent with the Company's policy to maintain Basic rate at or below the rate of inflation.

"The two-year recession has helped us hold the line on many of the costs we control. But despite our best efforts to reduce internal expenses, we still have to cope with higher costs from external factors such as rising utility costs, taxes and increased operating expenses every business has to pay," said Michael Costanzo, general manager of TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio. "We also believe it is vital to help our employees cope with inflation by continuing to give them adequate wages."

"The 1993 rate adjustment also reflects the increase in fees we pay for the popular programs our customers want to see. Cable networks pass along a portion of their expense for these programs to TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio. To maintain the level of service customers expect, we need to raise our rates to cover these cost increases."

"As many of our customers may know, on October 5, Congress passed legislation which, among other things, provides for local regulation of cable television rates. This provision does not become effective until April 1993," Costanzo added. "Until that time, we are still operating under the current law. We, of course, intend to comply with all regulatory procedures resulting from the legislation."

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Cable Is Still A Great Buy

Cable Television is one of the best entertainment values your money can buy.

As a valued customer, we want to inform you of some changes to your cable service. In 1992, our costs for programming, technology, and general operating expenses have risen more than the increase in the cost of living. In 1993, we are adjusting our rates by the national cost of living index, plus cost increases from program suppliers. This will enable us to continue bringing you the quality service and entertainment you value. Listed below are the new rates and their effective date.

As you may know, Congress recently adopted legislation which extends greater regulation over cable television rates. The Federal Communications Commission is expected to adopt rate regulation guidelines and rules by mid-1993. Based on current information, we believe the rate adjustments we are making are consistent with the provisions of the new law.

We regret we cannot yet answer all of your questions on the new legislation until the FCC acts. We are committed to complying with the new rules — and doing all we can to make cable television programming and service even better.

1993 Cable TV Monthly Rate Highlights (effective with your January '93 bill):

- The new monthly rate for Basic Service will be \$17.82.
- The new monthly rate for Expanded Basic Service will be \$2.45.
- HBO will increase 45¢ (applies to package prices and single purchase).
- The rates for other services will not change at this time.

TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio
636-5636 or 1-800-843-5966

Pricing, programming, and packages are subject to change.
Applicable franchise fees and taxes will apply.
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The upcoming price adjustment, according to Costanzo, is consistent with provisions of the new cable legislation. The Mayors and City Council members, have been notified of this decision by the cable company.

This increase is small compared to programming fee hikes of more than 30% in the last four years. Programming fees alone represent roughly 20% to 30% of the customer's monthly bill. This is the fastest growing expense area.

An important example of cable's efforts to reduce the impact of rate increases is the move toward "unbundling" traditional basic and pay package options which began two years ago. Known as Expanded Basic, this optional level of service includes USA and ESPN that have been actively acquiring and producing new programs, and are therefore unable to assure cable operators that their rates will stay at or below the cost of inflation.

As part of the upcoming rate adjustment TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio's Expanded Basic rate will go up 50 cents to \$2.45 per month.

In addition to the programming costs that are passed on to TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio by network programmers, the cable operator has increased the number of viewer options during 1992 to provide greater value to the monthly subscription package. Since January of last year TCI has added the Sports Channel of Ohio to the menu.

"Nothing compares with cable when it comes to delivering hundreds of movies, specialty channels and premier events," said Costanzo. "There are few, if any, entertainment options that can beat cable's value at fractions of a penny per show."

Village of Edgerton

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Post Office Box 608
Edgerton, Ohio 43517

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January 6, 1993

Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street NW
Washington DC 20554

Att: Cable Consumer Affairs Division

Dear Commission

The Village of Edgerton is protesting the rate increase of Cable rates from TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio.

In addition, the Village of Edgerton requests that the FCC take the necessary steps to ensure that all consumers get competitive cable rates.

Cordially

VILLAGE OF EDGERTON



Dale A. Mathys
Village Administrator

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CC: TCI Cablevision of Northwestern Ohio

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1919 M Street
Washington, DC 20534

FCC:

Do you regulate the rates of cable companies? In this town, the local cable company is called Sonic Cable. Their address and phone are 1031 Triangle Ct. West Sacramento, CA 95691, 916-885-0686.

Assuming you *do* regulate their rates, I want to complain that this company charges, in my opinion, too much for their services. I have just the "basic," minimum service possible and it is \$20.00 per month.

If you do not regulate their rates, will you please tell me to whom I should direct my comments?

Thank you,


Victoria Rose

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To the Staff:

In February I received a letter from CATV Service, Inc., 115 Mill Street, Danville, PA, 17821, notifying me that most residential rates would be "adjusted." These adjustments were to go into effect on March 1, 1993.

From the various options listed, I chose a package that was smaller and less expensive than the one I was receiving. I notified the local office of my choice; I was told that I would be charged a \$25.00 service fee because a service call to my street would be necessary.

By Saturday morning, February 27, my service was reduced. As far as I know, my cable fee for the month will not reflect the two days of reduced service.

In my opinion, the \$25.00 service charge is unfair and burdensome. It seems to me that I am being penalized for choosing a less expensive option. It seems to me that the cable company should absorb the cost of the service call.

Sincerely yours,

Bonnie J. Lewis
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123 South 12th Street
Lewisburg, PA 17837

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To Whom It May Concern:

Recently I read an article in the Miami Herald stating the F.C.C. would like to hear from the public concerning cable T.V..

When I had cable installed in my home years ago I was sold what was then called Basic Cable Package, which included all channels except HBO, Showtime, etc.. The words Extended Basic were never said to me at that time. Over the years the cable company in this area has taken what was once basic channels and renamed them Extended Basic and increased the cost. Enclosed you will find channel guides that verify this practice. Keep in mind before these channel guides all the listed Extended Basic channels were referred to as Basic. On the first channel guide (with the aqua border on top) the channels CNN, Lifetime, CNN Headline News, Nickelodeon, The Discovery Channel, The Family Channel, Arts and Entertainment, MTV, TNN, VH 1/ Comedy Central, Acts/Vision, and C-Span are NOT listed as Extended Basic, on the 2ND Channel Guide received a year or so later they come up listed as Extended Basic.

How can a company take something originally sold to the public and years later rename it and resell it to the public at an increase in cost? What if the telephone company decided to have regular telephone and fiber optic telephone service, and one month the public receives bills with a regular telephone service charge and an extended fiber optic charge. And all along it is the same service.

What really upsets me is C-Span is included in the Extended Basic Package. The impression I get is if you are low income you don't deserve to see your federal government at work.

The constant increase in cost without increase in service goes on year after year. And the practice of one cable company per community allows this to go on.

Sincerely,

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Industries. We feared we could hardly afford \$8.95 a month. It is not only recreation, but it, more, and for

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 plus 2.40 Disney channel and half
 the time they have names, when they

put a pitch on for new subscribers they put on our gold program. We don't need two CNN channels. I am enclosing the notice that our price will be raised 57% starting in March.

Also - you made the phone
companies quit charging the
customers for an extra phone in

its house. We cable allowed to
charge \$2.50 a month for an extra
outlet. That certainly is discrimination.

against the phone companies. We
are allowed to have as many phones
as we want - why not 100? We
get more service out of a phone than
we do from TV. We only own one
TV. I was given another for my
pitches from my children but it's
darned if it's any good. I don't own
any more. I got that TV. It is
still sitting in its box. I hope
your office will look into this
matter.

Yours truly,
Bernardin Petit.

1041 Broadway St.
Minneapolis, Minn.
June 24

my husband and I are 79 years old

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POLICY & RULES DIVISION

109 Fort Meadow Drive
Hudson, Mass. 01749
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Mass Media Bureau
1919 M Street N.W.
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Dear Mr. Webbink & staff,

I am writing to you at this time regarding the proposed regulation of cable television systems. In my opinion, regulation of this portion of the communications industry is long overdue. Furthermore, as a result of local hearings and information received from my state representatives, I encourage the FCC to allow local regulation of cable television.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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109 Fort Meadow Drive
Hudson, Mass. 01749
September 30, 1992

Senator Robert Durand
State House
Room 413B
Boston, Mass. 02133

Dear Honorable Sen. Durand,

Two recent experiences with cable television in Hudson have prompted me to write this letter to you with an identical copy sent to Representative Walrath. My request is simple: please regulate cable TV.

Cable television currently functions as an unregulated monopoly in Hudson and most other communities in Massachusetts. This industry should be regulated by the Department of Public Utilities, just as telephone, gas, and electric utilities are controlled. While federal law may establish cable TV as under the domain of the FCC, it's apparent that the FCC neither wants or is capable of regulating this multi-billion dollar industry. Thus, I believe Massachusetts could establish regulations for cable television under the doctrine of States' Rights, since the federal government has FAILED in it's responsibility to protect the public in this case.

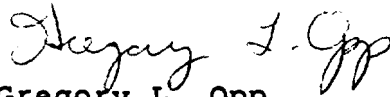
The first event that triggered me to write this letter was Cablevision's rate increase of \$1 for "Family Cable" service. Enclosed are copies of my cable TV bills from July 1983 and August 1992. They clearly show that the service which cost \$7.50 per month in 1983, now costs \$22.95. That's more than a 300% increase in just over nine years.

Secondly, a hearing regarding Cablevision's (actually Adams-Russell Cable Systems Warburg Pincus Limited Partnership) re-financing request by Hudson's Board of Selectmen demonstrated the arrogance of this particular company. At the hearing, representatives of A-RCSWPLP/Cablevision were presenting the savings to the corporation by re-financing their junk bonds at today's rates. However, none of this savings would be passed onto the customers. After listening to many excellent questions from the Board side-stepped, in particular questions about cost and profit, it became clear to me that Cablevision is an elaborate sham. I believe

a full accounting will reveal that the local subsidiary, A-RCSWPLP consistently shows a loss (the last seven years according to statements made at the hearing), while the parent corporation (Cablevision) receives the profits, which are probably well hidden. Selectmen requested copies of financial statements but voted to approve the re-financing without receiving them.

In closing, please find a legal means to regulate cable television in Massachusetts until such time as competition or federal regulation is in place. I thank you and thousands of other cable TV customers will thank you as well.

Sincerely,


Gregory L. Opp

cc: Hudson Board of Selectmen

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6-30 VIEWER GUIDE .85

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January 7, 1993

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The Federal Communications Commission
Cable Branch
1919 "M" Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C. 20554

The attached Resolution was approved by the Marietta City Council
at their regular meeting on December 9, 1992.

It is being sent to you for your record and to make you aware of
the action taken by the City of Marietta.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sheila R. Hill".

Sheila R. Hill,
City Clerk

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COUNCIL BILL NO. 360092

RESOLUTION NO. 92-996

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Wometco Cable TV provides cable television service to the residents of the City of Marietta, and

WHEREAS, there is no competition for Wometco Cable TV in the provision of cable television services in Marietta, and

WHEREAS, recent federal legislation regarding the cable industry has not been implemented yet, and

WHEREAS, the City of Marietta has no regulatory power to control the price of Cable Television, and

WHEREAS, Wometco Cable TV has raised the basic service fee 30% since April, 1991 and 18.22% since December, 1991, and

WHEREAS, there is no business justification for such large increases over such a short period of time, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council believe the most recent rate increase effective December, 1992 of \$2.00 per month in basic service should be rescinded,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and City Council of Marietta:

That Wometco Cable TV should immediately rescind its

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GENTLEMEN:

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE
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CABLEVISION OF BATON ROUGE;

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February 24, 1993

FCC
1919 M Street NW
Washington DC 20554

Dear Sir/ Madam

It was only last year when the then President George Bush told the American people that he planned to veto the "cable" bill when it came to his desk. Regardless of what the democrats claimed, President Bush was adamant that it was wrong because it would result in HIGHER prices for the same level of service.

Well here we are just a few months after the election and several months after the democrats overturned Mr. Bush's veto and my new cable bill (TKR CABLE COMPANY) shows an annual increase of \$32.76!

I understand that the new FCC regulations will not take effect until April 3, 1993 but I will tell you, and every elected official in Washington, that the American people are watching and waiting. If the new FCC rules do not roll back these price increases and then some, as the DEMOCRATS promised, you are going to hear from us.

We are sick and tired of EMPTY PROMISES and LIP SERVICE and we will absolutely not tolerate being LIED TO by our government officials.

Thank you for your kind attention.



George H. Lerner

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2/23- 3/22	OTHER FEES/TAXES	.59
2/22	BALANCE DUE	41.22

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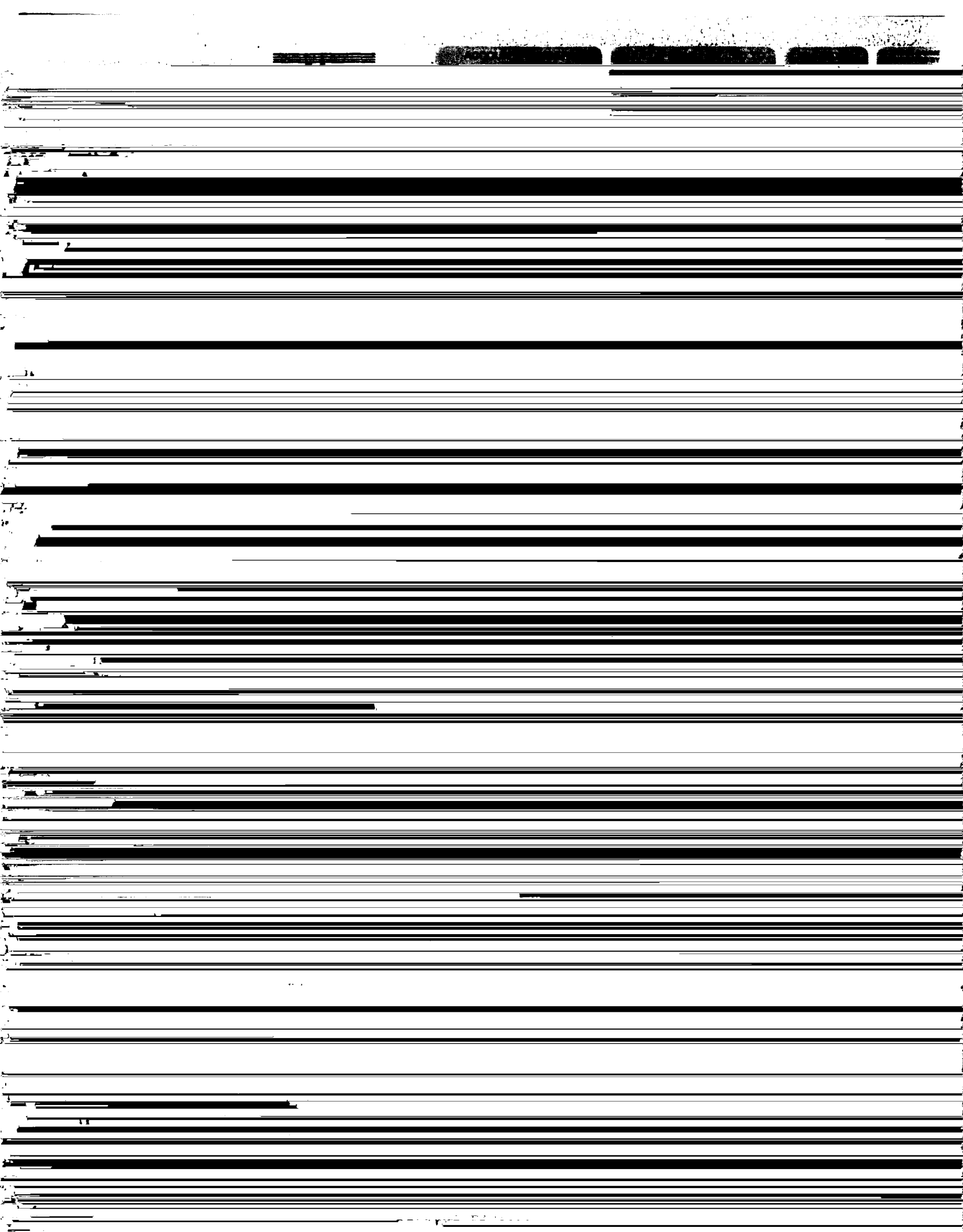
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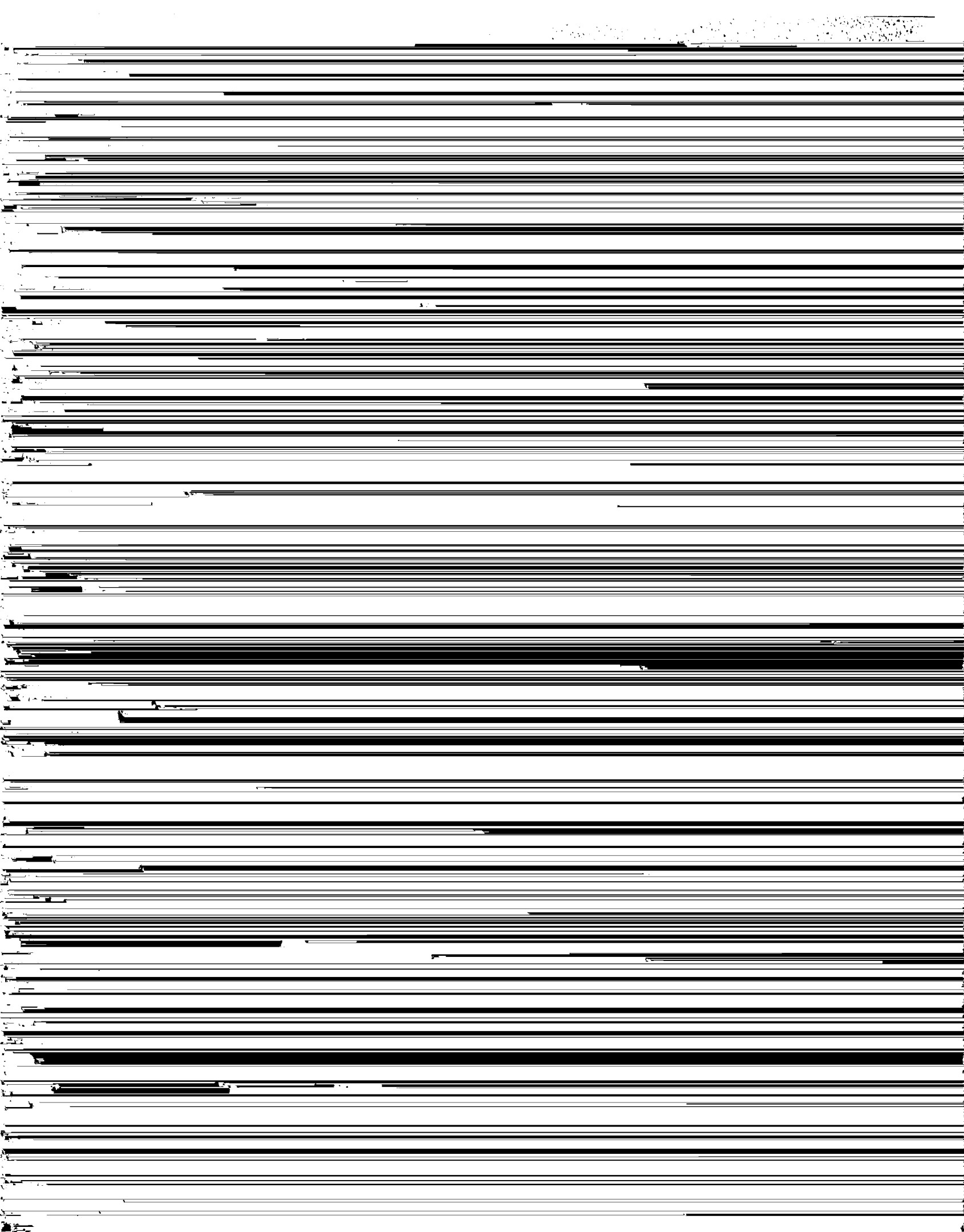
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11/22-11/30	STANDARD CABLE	5.98
	INC. LIMITED CABLE & SATELLITE VALUE PKG	
11/22-11/30	DISNEY SERVICE	2.49
11/22-11/30	OTHER FEES/TAXES	.02
11/30-12/22	STANDARD CABLE	17.31
	INC. LIMITED CABLE & SATELLITE VALUE PKG	
11/30-12/22	DISNEY SERVICE	8.48
11/30-12/22	OTHER FEES/TAXES	.08
11/22	BALANCE DUE	34.36

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NOV 23 THRU DEC 22, 1992

THIS STATEMENT REFLECTS A RATE ADJUSTMENT EFFECTIVE 12/1/92. YOU HAVE BEEN BILLED PARTIAL MONTH CHARGES AT THE OLD RATE THROUGH 11/30/92 AND PARTIAL MONTH CHARGES AT THE NEW RATE FROM 12/1/92 THROUGH YOUR CYCLE DATE. PLEASE CALL IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.

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Gentlemen:

Recently I received my cable bill and was shocked to see that it contained yet another raise in monthly service fees.

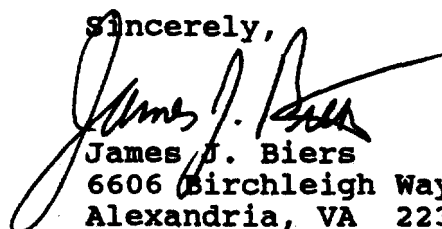
In December of 92 you raised by rate from \$23.85 to \$26.22, a 10% increase. At that time I thought that a 10% increase was rather exorbitant given our country's economic condition these last few years.

Then, to add insult to injury, my February 93 bill reflects an increase from \$26.22 to \$27.85, more than a 6% increase. In approximately a two month period my rates have increased more than 16%. This is nothing more than price gouging. It is no wonder that Congress past legislation to regulate your industry. Evidently it is your intent to try to increase rates as much as possible prior to the enactment of cable legislation in April 93.

If your industry had acted in a responsible and sensible manner you would not be subjected to the restrictions of the forthcoming legislation. It is my adamant hope that phone companies and other means of providing cable service are given an opportunity to compete in your industry.

Rest assured, that consumers such as myself, will support any and all legislation in the future which restricts your ability to raise rates.

Sincerely,


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